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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Varriale, <i>et al.</i>)	Group Art Unit: 1724
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Serial No.: 09/675,464)	Examiner: Thomas M. Lithgow
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Filed: September 28, 2000)	Deposit Account: 50-2548
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For: Method and Apparatus for)	
Multistage Liquid Filtration)	
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 04, 2003, please consider the following amendments and remarks. If any further extension of time or additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to Deposit Account 50-2548.